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Montgomery, Ala. 8 A.M. 10-10-90. WED. End: 9:20.
To 9:20. #1313. 10-10-90.

Youth Ministries? Supplanting the Home or a Soul-Saving Tool?

Problem: Know of no good + wholesome endeavors which have not been abused in some way by some one! ^{streets!} ^{like a ministry} ^{can they get along?}

I Objectives: 1. See the world as God designed it. (It's His!)

2. See the Needs of Individuals in God's World + who is designed to fulfill those needs.
3. See the human + divine institutions which do serve those needs + what needs, which institutions, were designed to fulfill.

II Basic Needs of all Human Beings:

1. WORK.
2. PLAY.
3. LOVE.
4. WORSHIP

} Amer. Assn. of Psychologists.

III Basic Institutions which fulfill man's Basic Needs:

1. HOME.
2. SCHOOL. (Education)
3. CHURCH.
4. GOVERNMENT.

Note: Home was first school, church and civil government. (Clube, Village, Town + City)
Humanity went from family to: to county, to state, to the nation.

IV This Study : "Youth Ministries ; Supplanting the Home or a Soul-Saving loss ?"

1. Study involves the relationship of the Church to the Home in providing a wholesome growth-style for the Children in Christian Families.

★ Two definitions ^{are} essential :

Define : A. The "Church" : I Tim. 3:14-15. Spr. family!
Its mission : Matt. 28. Mk. 16. all creatures.
Explains : Matt. 6:33. Goal : God's Truth.
★ Elders have shepherd's resp. to all members of the flock. ~~the families~~

A MUST : "Grow-up close to God in the Faith."
3. Note : Not the primary! resp. ^{initially} God delegated to the Parents. (May serve as back-up in spec. cases.) VIZ (Problems in the home. Death in the family)
Elders + Church assist in crisis. & When my father died.

Define : B. The "Home" : The Human Family of Father, mother + children.
1. Each ^{home} an independent domestic-govt. Gen. 2:24.
2. Father is the team-leader + bears greatest resp. for the godly upbringing of the children. Eph. 6:1-4.
3. There is no choice in whether they have a Christian Education ^(Cradle to grave) ; but some choices in How.

HOME! a. May do all the rel. teaching at home if chooses - bypassing Bible Hrs., CWT programs & the organized Bible School opportunities.

May by-pass the "Youth Program" at the Church if he has a better way. Better be good!

2. Note the Respon. of the Home in relation to the children's + young peoples needs.

- Home: PRI
- A. Food, clothing + shelter. ^{or be worse} than an infidel!
 - B. Religious + Secular Education.
Home often utilizes "outside aid" in educating the children.
 - 1. Public or Private schools. ^{Sec. for Rel.}
 - 2. Church + Bible School advantages for broader religious training.
 - C. Social Needs. Parents govern!

3. Note the Resp. of the Church in rel. to the needs of youth:

- A. Leave food, clothing + shelter to family unless these temporarily or perm. lost. ^{Widow Home orphan's Home}
- B. assists the Home in providing the Rel. ed the children need:
VIZ. % Bible School. Youth Ministry. Campaigns. Seminars. Rallies, etc.

4. The Ideal General-Pattern ^{is} for Home + Church Cooperation in the Spr. Ed. of our youth.

Note:

A. The Variables to be harmonized into a scriptural planned program for Chr. Youth: are!:

Children. Parents. B. S. teachers. ~~Teachers~~ and ~~Ministers~~ youth-minister. ^{Maybe} young married couples.

B. Three of youth's basic needs must be met by the

"Home & Church:"
 ARE: LOVE - PLAY - WORSHIP
life! WORLD! EXPERIENCES!

* C. Recommend the CYC!
 Parent-sponsored Community
Youth Club. ^{or call it a CLASS, A GROUP,}
^{a "gang" (good sense), or a BUNCH.}

1. Involves: Students, parents, B.S.
 teachers & Youth Minister.

Note: 2. ^{our} youth's standard spr. program: ^{should consist of:}

- a. Home devotionals - at same meal time.
- b. Bible School Classes. SM & W.N.
- c. Worship Services. ^{Specials:}
- d. ~~Program~~ ^{YOUTH} Meetings, Singings, Seminars
 etc. etc. Summer Youth Series, Massed together
% Soul - Fift. 67 Sept.
12,000!

Consider: 3. Role of the B. A. & Youth Minister
 in fulfilling youth's extended needs. (Spr.)

(C.E. ^{Education} - BIBLE) a. B.A. - ^{growth experiences} Growth in grace & spr. knowledge.
 (Chr. ^{service}) b. "Service" projects to fulfill
 altruistic nature & dev. spr. sense
of respon. (sing at rest homes, "helping hands",
away-from-home VBSs, Campfires,
(to Mexico) +/or foreign countries.
 + Camp. etc. etc.

LOVE →
 +
WORSHIP →

PLAY: → C. "Social" opportunities (mating-process)
^{Kids are together!}

(1. Involves youth, parents, maybe
teachers & Y.M. & a plan.)

(2. Operates on a calendar - 12 Mo.)

(a. Calendar created by Committee of students, parents + YM. ~~Journal~~

{ Kids give input to ^{student} Comm.-members.
 { Parents give input to parents Comm.-members.
 { Teachers + YM are resource people-guides.

Now Possible: 4. Wide + Fulfilling Spr. - Social Program Other CYC: ^{Community Youth} ^{Club} ^{Evangelism!} ^{Edification!}

Caution: all Christian planning + activities - directed toward - Edification!
Should involve: a. Lively + interesting Bible Studies at church - at homes - in devos. at visiting other places. ^(other congregations)

b. 12-month social activity program. Parties, trips, ball-games, dinners, banquets, picnics, shows + etc. wholesome group entertainment. ave. having: 9-10? ^{P.A. etc.}

Recommend: c. Summer "Youth Meeting". 5-days of classes, devotionals, sermons, + social events mixed in at noon.
 (Bowl - Min-golf - picnic + softball or valley ball, ice skating, fishing etc. etc.)

Closing Notes:

1. Christians are saved to save, so soul-saving is uppermost in all Chr. activities. a "sense" of urgency!
2. Building a powerful Chr. life + a powerful Chr. home is the goal for all Chr. youth.
3. The BS + YM in "no way", ^{properly handled} supplants the home's influence nor father's authority. the three are a harmonious TEAM.
4. If ^{mature} Christians do not aid our youth in their Spr. + social activities - the devil will!
5. Elders of the Church are respon. for the moral + ethical values of Christians, young + old! Therefore it behooves them to support + boost any wholesome + scriptural program of "Spr. + social" activities for the young Christians in their flock.

otherwise: they must exercise discipline to restore the lamb which go astray for lack of competent adult guidance + leadership.
 a problem of the leader's own making!